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Group Art Unit: 3728

Filed: 4/1/2003

Examiner: John G. Pickett

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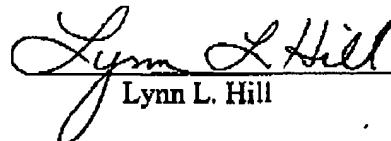
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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.
MFA-13302/04

In Re Application Of: Heinz-Ulrich Diestelh

Serial No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Group Art Unit
10778881-091831676	04/01/2003	John G. Pickett	3728

Invention: APPARATUS FOR STORING DISC-SHAPED STORAGE MEDIA

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 12/24/2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

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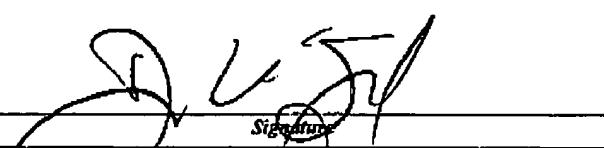
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	12 -	20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 -	3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$420.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$420.00

COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)Docket No.
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of \$420.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
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- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1180
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.


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For: APPARATUS FOR STORING DISC-SHAPED DATA STORAGE MEDIA

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: